

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
WASHOE COUNTY, NEVADA**

TUESDAY

10:00 A.M.

JULY 28, 2015

PRESENT:

Marsha Berkbigler, Chair  
Kitty Jung, Vice Chair  
Jeanne Herman, Commissioner  
Bob Lucey, Commissioner

Nancy Parent, County Clerk  
Kevin Schiller, Assistant County Manager  
Paul Lipparelli, Legal Counsel

ABSENT:

Vaughn Hartung, Commissioner

The Washoe County Board of Commissioners convened at 10:02 a.m. in regular session in the Commission Chambers of the Washoe County Administration Complex, 1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our Country, the Clerk called the roll and the Board conducted the following business:

Chair Berkbigler asked for a moment of silence for John Slaughter, County Manager, who lost his father, and for the loss of two members of the Sheriff's Department, Sergeant Josh Liles and Deputy Jody Smith, and their families.

**15-0652**      **AGENDA ITEM 3** Public Comment.

Garth Elliott, Vicky Maltman, Carol Burns, James Georges, and Rodney Bloom requested the Board to reestablish the Sun Valley Community Advisory Board (CAB) and expressed their frustrations with the County's explanation related to the lack of funding. Ms. Maltman stated Sun Valley citizens deserved to have a voice. Ms. Burns talked about the financial burden of having to maintain the Sun Valley swimming pool and parks.

Vic Gomez, Hector Vanegas, Dorothy Lively, Karen Moll, Joetta Forsty, Sharon Frandsen, Anne Huber, Donna Kapalo, and Charlie Becerra, all from the Sun Valley and Lemmon Valley areas, expressed their frustrations with the lack of County assistance regarding the damage to their properties caused by the July flooding. Items of concern included how the culverts and ditches were not properly maintained, the overflow of the Vidler Water Company tank, and how the natural flow of flood water had been diverted toward homes. Ms. Moll, Ms. Forsty, Ms. Frandsen, Ms. Huber, Ms. Kapalo, and Mr. Becerra spoke of flood damage to their properties. The flooding had removed gravel, top soil, road base, decomposed granite, and earth from the properties resulting in damage to residential structures, gardens, landscaping, fencing and septic tanks. The flooding caused monetary loss and depreciation in home values. Ms. Forsty and Ms. Kapalo both mentioned their husbands had to take time off work to clean up their

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homes. Ms. Forsty stated she was not able to secure flood insurance since their home was not in a designated flood plain. Ms. Kapalo thanked Commissioner Herman for coming out to assess the damage and she blamed the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) for not doing more about flood mitigation. Ms. Huber expressed concerns about the cost to rebuild and stated the debris that was hauled away by the Roads Department was actually materials that composed her driveway. Mr. Becerra stated he had to pump water out of his yard for days and his home smelled like sewage. The flood-afflicted residents asked the Board for assistance with cleaning up. They asked for dumpsters, materials to rebuild their driveways, and for better maintenance of ditches and culverts.

Ken McNeil, Marilee Wintz, and Kent Ervin expressed their concerns about the safety on the Peavine Trails. Mr. McNeil thanked the Board for putting Agenda Item 11 on the agenda. Ms. Wintz and Mr. Ervin spoke of the unsafe shooting incidents that occurred in and around the Peavine Trail, and the lack of defined boundaries for recreational shooting and other outdoor activities. Mr. Ervin urged the County to expedite their assessment of the boundaries and the implementation of a solution for safety. Mr. Ervin provided a hand-out to the Board regarding the promotion of safety on the Peavine Trails. A copy of his handout was placed on file with the Clerk.

**15-0653      AGENDA ITEM 4 Commissioners'/Manager's announcement**

Commissioner Lucey stated it was an honor to be recently named Chairman of the Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority (RSCVA) Board. He hoped to make positive change at the RSCVA, which he said was an economic driver for the community in regards to tourism, conventions, and general business. He mentioned Sergeant Josh Liles was a good friend, and expressed his condolences to Sergeant Liles' family and the members of the Sheriff's Office.

Commissioner Herman spoke directly to Lemmon Valley residents stating she felt their pain and regretted not being able to provide more help to them after the flood. She believed the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) should have addressed their concerns and was disappointed that FEMA did not provide assistance. She said she was working to find ways to help the flood victims. She thanked the citizens who spoke and stated she was going to work on reestablishing the Citizen Advisory Boards (CABs) for Sun Valley and Gerlach.

Chair Berkbigler requested staff to submit a report at an August meeting regarding what had been done and what could be done to assist the Lemmon Valley flood victims. She requested the Commissioners whose jurisdictions included Sun Valley to work with her to reestablish the Citizen Advisory Board (CAB) since there were approximately 30,000 people in that community without representation. She said she had been contacted by citizens requesting to serve on various boards and commissions, and she asked staff to provide a list of boards and commissions for non-elected residents. She wanted to know who was currently serving, when their terms were up and if the appointees could be reappointed. She stated she received a notice from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) regarding the expansion of Building One at the VA Sierra Nevada Healthcare System in Reno. She announced there would be a public hearing in the conference room at the VA located on Kirman Avenue on August 5th at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the expansion.

Commissioner Lucey requested staff present a report listing all of the property the County currently leased outside of County ownership. The report was to show the cost reward of bringing the leases back onto County properties versus maintaining the leases outside of County properties.

Commissioner Jung agreed with Chair Berkbigler regarding the necessity of an emergency staff report related to the flooding in Lemmon Valley. She had concerns about the Lemmon Valley flood based on the public comments and requested staff to address the following issues in their report: 1) Who was liable and responsible for the Vidler tank overflow? 2) Had the ditch above Matterhorn Boulevard been cleaned up? 3) What was the County-wide maintenance schedule of ditches and how was it prioritized? 4) What was the solution if a culvert had not worked properly? 5) Could the County put a culvert under Lemmon Drive to feed into the existing lake? 6) Who was responsible for the maintenance of the water pit? 7) What was the history of the natural flow of water in the area, and the history of the flow once the diversion was in place? 8) How could the County obtain flood plain designations in order for residents to secure flood insurance? 9) What was the danger to public safety during flash floods? 10) Would it be a public health issue if there was standing sewage in people's yards? 11) Could the County pay for dumpsters as a temporary solution so the residents could help themselves? 12) Who was liable for the debris in people's yards after a flood? 13) Who had ownership of yard debris once the County cleaned it up? 14) Were we maintaining the culverts? 15) If the larger culverts were not working, why had the County replaced them with smaller ones? She stated the residents in Lemmon Valley were hurting and the County could have done more.

Commissioner Jung requested to have a meeting with John Slaughter, County Manager, when he returned, and asked Chair Berkbigler to also attend in order to assess the direction of the County's culture. She mentioned the dress code was still an issue and she was disappointed in the lack of customer service.

Commissioner Jung stated she recently went to the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony and met with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Food and Agricultural Committee and the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension (UNCE) in regards to the potential to create a tribal university, which would focus on Native-American traditions. She said the State had been pursuing this along with the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony and the USDA, but was not certain if the tribal university would be located within Washoe County.

Commissioner Jung said she met with the Regional Emergency Medical Services Authority's (REMSA's) finance subcommittee and felt there was more willingness to share information.

Commissioner Jung supported Commissioner Herman's call to reestablish the District 5 CAB, also known as the Sun Valley CAB. She stated she needed help from staff in her area of Sun Valley, District 3, to conduct a poll or walk door-to-door to find out what the residents wanted. She mentioned no one in District 3 had signed up to be on her CAB. She stated what bothered her was the community that could use the most help usually got the least amount of help. She mentioned the Sun Valley General Improvement District (SVGID) voted to maintain their swimming pool and parks after the previous Board voted to shut them down. Sun Valley

residents paid an extra fee every month as part of their water bill to keep the swimming pool and parks open. She expressed frustration with how the same criteria was not applied to the Bowers Mansion swimming pool; where instead of having the area residents fund it, staff secured a grant to keep it opened.

Chair Berkbigler addressed Al Rogers to work on the reestablishment of the Sun Valley CABs.

Commissioner Herman understood the Ordinances that had been previously approved were meant to reestablish the Sun Valley and Verdi CABs, but as soon as the meeting ended, she was informed the CABs were not funded.

**CONSENT ITEMS 5A THROUGH 5H3**

- 15-0654 **5A** Approve minutes of the regular Washoe County Board of Commissioners concurrent meeting of June 15, 2015.
- 15-0655 **5B** Approve amendments [totaling a net increase of \$14,247 in both revenue and expenses] to the adopted FY 16 Comprehensive Tobacco Prevention Program Grant budget, IO 11128; and if approved direct the Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget adjustments. District Health. (All Commission Districts.)
- 15-0656 **5C1** Approve roll change requests for errors discovered for the 2014/15 unsecured tax rolls and authorize Chairman to execute the changes described in Exhibit A and further direct the Washoe County Treasurer to correct the error(s).[cumulative amount of reduction \$2,323.54.] (All Commission Districts.)
- 15-0657 **5C2** Approve roll change requests, pursuant to NRS 361.768 and NRS 361.765, for errors discovered for the 2011/2012, 2012/2013, 2013/2014, 2014/2015 secured tax roll and authorize Chairman to execute the changes described in Exhibit A and direct the Washoe County Treasurer to correct the error(s). [cumulative amount of decrease \$10,713.64]. (Parcels are in various Commission Districts.)
- 15-0658 **5D1** Approve the Safety Committee's recommended revisions to the Drivers Selection and Training Policy and the Driver Selection Form, including renaming the documents to Drivers Policy and Authorization to Request Driving Record and approve a new supporting document entitled Communication/Electronic Device Use. (All Commission Districts.)
- 15-0659 **5D2** Approve Washoe County's Indebtedness Report and accompanying Schedule of Indebtedness for fiscal year 2014/15. (All Commission Districts.)
- 15-0660 **5E1** Approve payments totaling [\$11,252] to vendors for assistance of 52 victims of sexual assault and authorize Comptroller to process same. NRS 217.310 requires payment by the County of total initial medical care of victims, regardless

of cost, and of follow-up treatment costs of up to \$1,000 for victims, victim's spouses and other eligible persons. District Attorney. (All Commission Districts.)

**15-0661** **5E2** Approve the settlement of the claims by Robert Wynters against Washoe County et al., for a total sum of \$14,000 for all claims against defendants, with funding from the Risk Management fund; and adopt the Procedures for Removal and Storage of Personal Property from Campsites on Washoe County Property, No. 1. District Attorney. (All Commission Districts.)

**15-0662** **5F1** Appoint one individual representing Washoe County from the business sector to the Western Nevada Development District Board for a term of two (2) years [No fiscal impact]. (All Commission Districts.)

**15-0663** **5F2** Approve expenditures for the Aug. 14, 2015 Employee Family Picnic in an amount not to exceed \$10,000. (All Commission Districts.)

**15-0664** **5F3** Approve recommendation for Commission District Special Fund disbursement [in the amount of \$5,000] for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 for Commission District 5; District 5 Commissioner Jeanne Herman recommends [\$5,000] grant to American Lands Council for Washoe County Silver/Municipal Membership annual fee to help support transfer of Public Lands back to local control; approve Resolution necessary for same. (Commission District 5.)

Commissioner Herman submitted a handout on the history of the American Lands Council and an American Lands Council Foundation pamphlet. The handouts were placed on file with the Clerk.

**15-0665** **5G1** Approve the Sheriff's Security Agreement between the Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation and the County of Washoe on behalf of Washoe County Sheriff's Office to provide uniformed Deputy Sheriffs for security [estimated cost of \$55,000] during the 2015 Barracuda Open Golf Tournament, August 3, 2015 through August 9, 2015. (All Commission Districts.)

**15-0666** **5G2** Approve Sheriff's Security Agreement between I-10 Race Promotions, INC (aka/DBA Lucas Oil Products) and the Washoe County Sheriff's Office to provide uniformed Deputy Sheriffs for security [costs to be reimbursed by Lucas Oil Products] during the 2015-2017 Lucas Oil Off Road Racing Series events to be held in Washoe County. (All Commission Districts.)

**15-0667** **5H1** Accept a Sub-grant Award from the State of Nevada Division of Child and Family Services in the amount of [\$7,659, no County match required] to support staff attendance at the Crimes Against Children Conference retroactively to June 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015; authorize the Department to execute the Sub-Grant Award and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget adjustments. (All Commission Districts.)

**15-0668** **5H2** Accept a purpose-restricted grant from the Silicon Valley Community Foundation in the amount of [\$20,000, no County match required] to support improvements at Kids Kottage and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget adjustments. (All Commission Districts.)

**15-0669** **5H3** Accept a Sub-grant Award from the State of Nevada Division of Child and Family Services in the amount of [\$115,000; \$28,750 County match required] for the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Program retroactively to July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016; authorize the Department to execute the Sub-Grant Award and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget adjustments. (All Commission Districts.)

There was no public comment on the Consent Agenda Items listed above.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that the Consent Agenda Items 5A through 5H3 be approved. Any and all Resolutions or Interlocal Agreements pertinent to Consent Agenda Items 5A through 5H3 are attached hereto and made a part of the minutes thereof.

**BLOCK VOTE – AGENDA ITEMS 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14 AND 15**

**15-0670** **AGENDA ITEM 6** Recommendation to approve exercise of Option to Renew and a First Amendment to Lease between 601 W. Moana, LLC and Washoe County for a 36-month term commencing retroactively to July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018, for the District Health Department, WIC Program, to provide for the continued occupancy at 601 W. Moana Lane, Reno, Nevada [\$101,196 for the three-year term]. Community Services. (Commission District 2.)

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 6 be approved.

**15-0671** **AGENDA ITEM 7** Recommendation to approve an Agreement for Consulting Engineering Services between Washoe County and CH2M Hill Engineers, Inc., commencing July 28, 2015 and ending December 31, 2016, to provide design engineering and construction management services for the South Truckee Meadows Water Reclamation Facility 2015 Electrical Improvements Project [\$311,000]; and if approved, adopt a Resolution to augment the budget of the Washoe County Utilities Enterprise Fund in the amount of \$311,000; and, direct the Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate adjustments. Community Services. (Commission District 2.)

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 7 be approved, adopted and directed. The Resolution for same is attached hereto and made a part of the record thereof.

**15-0672**      **AGENDA ITEM 9** Recommendation to award a bid and approve the Agreement for the Eagle Canyon Park Pre-Manufactured Concession/Restrooms Building Project to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder [staff recommends Public Restroom Company in the amount of \$249,953]; and if awarded, direct the Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget adjustments. Community Services. (Commission District 4.)

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 9 be awarded, approved, and directed.

**15-0673**      **AGENDA ITEM 10** Recommendation to award a bid and approve the Agreement to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder for the Washoe County Assessor's Office Remodel Project. [staff recommends Reyman Brothers Construction in the amount of \$172,105] and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget adjustments. Community Services. (Commission District 3.)

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 10 be awarded, approved and directed.

**15-0674**      **AGENDA ITEM 11** Recommendation to approve a request to initiate proceedings to amend the Washoe County Code (Chapter 50 – Public Peace, Safety and Morals) pursuant to a request by Commissioner Berkbigler; and direct the County Clerk to submit the request to the District Attorney for preparation of a proposed ordinance, pursuant to Washoe County Code Section 2.030 and 2.040. Community Services. (All Commission Districts.)

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 11 be approved and directed.

**15-0675**      **AGENDA ITEM 12** Recommendation to approve amendments totaling an [increase of \$163,023 in both revenue and expense] to the FY16 CDC ELC –

Ebola Supplement Federal Grant Program, IO 11242; and if approved direct the Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget adjustments. District Health. (All Commission Districts.)

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 12 be approved and directed.

**15-0676** **AGENDA ITEM 14** Recommendation to approve the Interlocal Cooperative Agreement for Operation of the Community Assistance Center among the City of Reno, the City of Sparks and the County of Washoe for [\$1,274,846], effective upon execution through June 30, 2016 for the County's portion for fiscal year 2016. Social Services. (All Commission Districts.)

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 14 be approved. The Interlocal Cooperative Agreement for same is attached hereto and made a part of the minutes thereof.

**15-0677** **AGENDA ITEM 15** Accept Child Welfare Enhancement Funding from the State of Nevada General Fund, approved in the 2015 Legislative Session following completion of a pilot program in the amount of [\$1,111,699] for FY16 to fully implement the Specialized Foster Care Program; and authorize the creation of 1.0 FTE fully benefited Mental Health Counselor II position, 1.0 FTE fully benefited Mental Health Counselor I position, 1.0 FTE fully benefited Social Worker III position and 1.0 FTE fully benefited Office Support Specialist position as affirmed by the Job Evaluation Committee (JEC) and direct the Comptroller's Office and Human Resources Departments to make the appropriate adjustments. Social Services. (All Commission Districts.)

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Hartung absent, it was ordered that Agenda Item 15 be accepted, authorized, and directed.

**15-0678** **AGENDA ITEM 8** Recommendation to approve and execute an ordinance authorizing the issuance by Washoe County, Nevada of its General Obligation (Limited Tax) Sewer Refunding Bond (Additionally Secured by Pledged Revenues) Series 2015 in the maximum principal amount of \$18,100,000 for the purpose of refinancing outstanding obligations of the County; providing the form, terms and conditions thereof and covenants relating to the payment of said bond;

and providing for its adoption as if an emergency exists; and providing other matters relating thereto; and 2) if adopted, approve the accompanying agreement between the Nevada State Department of Conservation & Natural Resources, acting by and through the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, and Washoe County. Community Services. (All Commission Districts.)

The Chair opened the public hearing by calling on anyone wishing to speak for or against adoption of said Ordinance. There being no response, the hearing was closed.

Nancy Parent, County Clerk, read the title for Ordinance No. 1563, Bill No. 1745.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Lucey, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Hartung absent, Chair Berkbigler ordered that Ordinance No. 1563, Bill No. 1745, be adopted, approved and published in accordance with NRS 244.100.

**15-0679** **AGENDA ITEM 13** Recommendation to approve and execute an ordinance authorizing the issuance of the Washoe County, Nevada, General Obligation (Limited Tax) Medical Examiner Building Bonds (Additionally Secured by Pledged Revenues), Series 2015 for the purpose of financing the building projects, including the Medical Examiner's building; providing the form, terms and conditions of the bonds; other details in connection therewith; and adopting it as if an emergency now exists. Total par of bonds authorized is \$12,000,000. Manager. (All Commission Districts.)

The Chair opened the public hearing by calling on anyone wishing to speak for or against adoption of said Ordinance.

Cathy Brandhorst spoke of matters of concern to herself.

Nancy Parent, County Clerk, read the title for Ordinance No. 1564, Bill No. 1746.

On motion by Commissioner Lucey, seconded by Commissioner Herman, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Hartung absent, Chair Berkbigler ordered that Ordinance No. 1564, Bill No. 1746, be adopted, approved and published in accordance with NRS 244.100. **Note: If there are findings, the findings in the staff report need to be referenced.**

**15-0680** **AGENDA ITEM 16** Public Hearing to consider objections to the Resolution of Intent to Lease; and, possible approval of a Lease Agreement between Washoe County and the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, for a 60 month term commencing retroactively to July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2020, for space within the Incline Service Center [annual revenue of \$21,413.64]. Community Services. (Commission District 1.)

The Chair opened the public hearing by calling on anyone wishing to speak for or against the lease agreement between Washoe County and the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service. There being no response, the hearing was closed.

On motion by Commissioner Lucey, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 16 be awarded and approved.

**15-0681**      **AGENDA ITEM 17** Introduction and first reading of an ordinance amending Chapter 25 of the Washoe County Code (Business Licenses, Permits, and Regulations), adding Section 25.1515 (Boundaries of Certain Districts) to establish the boundaries of a certain district for the imposition of a surcharge on hotel room rentals as required by S.B. 312; and providing for other matters properly relating thereto. District Attorney. ( All Commission District.)

The Chair opened the public hearing by calling on anyone wishing to speak for or against adoption of said Ordinance.

Cathy Brandhorst spoke of matters of concern to herself.

Nancy Parent, County Clerk, read the title for Bill No. 1747.

Bill No. 1747 was introduced by Commissioner Lucey, and legal notice for final action of adoption was directed.

**15-0682**      **AGENDA ITEM 18** Acknowledge Receipt of the 78th (2015) Legislative Session Overview Report (All Commission Districts.)

Government Affairs Manager Liane Lee gave a Power Point presentation regarding the 2015 final legislative overview. She wanted to thank the County legislative team who were all named on Page 2 of the presentation. She stated the legislative overview was a summary of activities that had an impact to the County. She spoke of a bill that passed, which allowed miniature horses to be utilized as service animals. She stated the overview included information about the legislature and a spreadsheet of the bills that were being tracked. She included some information specific to the departments that were required to take some sort of action, such as an appointment or an Ordinance. The executive summary highlighted a comparison of past sessions, the bills that were presented, statistics, and term limits. She stated two long-term legislators, Assemblywoman Marilyn Kirkpatrick and Assemblyman Harvey Munford, were very familiar with the local government but had termed out. She noted that in the report were two handouts, the first handout included projections of all term limits for legislators and the second handout was regarding the membership and make-up of the legislature. She reviewed the number of bills that became law, the number of bills that did not become law and the number of bills that were vetoed. She shared information about the Nevada Assembly and Senate members, including their leadership roles and contact information. Next, she showed a slide of the members of the Washoe County Delegation Team, which noted the Commission Districts and committees they represented. She then moved to the last slide which highlighted

how the legislators were moving forward in the 2015 – 2016 Interim Session. She said she would continue to update the Board and work with the County Delegation Team.

Chair Berkbigler thought it was a successful session and congratulated Ms. Lee.

Commissioner Lucey congratulated Ms. Lee and commended the team on a doing a great job. He thanked her for the detailed report.

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Lucey, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 18 be acknowledged.

**15-0683** AGENDA ITEM 19 Discussion and possible direction to the County Manager to utilize two or more hours of staff time to review and report on One Sphera and opportunities to beta test this tool and others to connect residents in Washoe County. Requested by Commissioner Jung.

There was no public comment on this item.

Commissioner Jung explained that One Sphera was a beta test of a social media style application that would connect people and communities. She stated the intention was to test the application across the departments to decide if it was worth expanding.

On motion by Commissioner Lucey, seconded by Commissioner Herman, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Agenda Item 19 be approved.

**15-0684** AGENDA ITEM 22 Public Comment.

Cathy Brandhorst spoke of items of concern to herself.

**15-0685** AGENDA ITEM 20 Possible Closed Session for the purpose of discussing labor negotiations with Washoe County, Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and/or Sierra Fire Protection District per NRS 288.220.

**11:45 a.m.** On motion by Commissioner Lucey, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the meeting recess to a closed session for the purpose of discussing negotiations with Employee Organizations per NRS 288.220.

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**12:05 p.m.** There being no further business to discuss, on motion by Commissioner Lucey, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried with Commissioner Hartung absent, the meeting was adjourned.

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MARSHA BERKBIGLER, Chair  
Washoe County Commission

ATTEST:

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NANCY PARENT, County Clerk and  
Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

*Minutes Prepared by:  
Michael Siva and Doni Gassaway, Deputy County Clerks*

Pending Board Approval